ORDINANCE NO. 2008-27

AN ORDINANCE, amending Prior Ordinance No. 2006-52 relating to the Wenatchee Parks and Recreation Board.

WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation Board has recommended to the City Council that its enabling ordinance be amended to accommodate officer's succession planning, aligning board member terms with officer terms, and changing quorum requirements.

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to update the form and functions of the board to provide for a more efficient and effective operation.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WENATCHEE, WASHINGTON, do ordain as follows:

SECTION I

Section 1.102.010 of the Wenatchee City Code shall be amended in its entirety as follows:

"1.102.010 Board – Established.

There is hereby established for the City of Wenatchee a Citizen's Advisory Board to be known as the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board."

SECTION II

Section 1.102.030 of the Wenatchee City Code shall be amended to read in its entirety as follows:

"1.102.030 Appointment – Terms.

- 1. All board members shall be appointed by a majority vote of the City Council. All appointments and re-appointments to a board position shall be in writing and signed by the Mayor.
- 2. The board terms and positions shall be as follows:
 - a. Positions 1 and 2 shall be appointed for terms expiring December 31, 2012.
 - b. Positions 3 and 4 shall be appointed for terms expiring December 31, 2009.
 - c. Positions 5 and 6 shall be appointed for terms expiring December 31, 2010.
 - d. Position 7 shall be appointed for a term expiring December 31, 2011.
- 3. All subsequent appointments, except for vacancies, shall be for four year terms.
- 4. Vacancies occurring other than through expiration of terms shall be filled for the remainder of the term of the member being replaced.
- 5. No member shall serve more than two consecutive full terms. If a member is appointed to fill an unexpired term of two years or less, that term shall not count as a full term.
- 6. Members of the board shall reveal all potential conflicts of interest due to membership of or employment by other entities and shall recuse themselves from discussion and decision making concerning issues for which a conflict exists.
- 7. The position of a member shall be forfeited and become vacant upon three consecutive unexcused absences from regular board meetings.
- 8. Members of the board may be removed by the Mayor, with concurrence of the City Council for neglect of duty, conflict of interest, malfeasance in office or for other just cause."

SECTION III

Section 1.102.060 of the Wenatchee City Code shall be amended to read in its entirety as follows:

"1.102.060 Officers, Meetings, Bylaws and Quorum.

- 1. The board shall elect a chairperson to serve a one year term. At the conclusion of the term, the vice chairperson assumes the position of chairperson and a new vice chairperson shall be elected. The chairperson will preside at all meetings, preserve order and decorum, enforce the rules and regulations of the board, sign all letters and documents as authorized by the board and as prescribed by law and will otherwise perform the duties evolving upon a presiding officer.
- 2. The board shall also select a vice chairperson to serve a one year term. In the event the chairperson is absent, the vice chairperson shall fill the role of the chairperson.
- 3. In the event that both the chairperson and vice chairperson are absent, an acting chairperson may be elected by a majority vote from the remaining board members present for the purpose of representing the board and conducting business.
- 4. The board shall meet at least once per month unless the chairperson determines that no meeting is necessary. Special board meetings may be held as often as determined necessary by the board. All meetings shall be open to the public. Accurate minutes shall be kept of all meetings and they shall be made available to the public. Accurate minutes shall be kept of all meetings and they shall be made available to the public. A copy of all minutes shall be forwarded to the City Council.
- 5. The board may adopt bylaws, as necessary, to enable the board to more efficiently conduct business and fulfill its primary purposes. Such bylaws shall be approved by the City Council.
- 6. A majority of the currently appointed board members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business; provided that a minimum of three board members are present.
- 7. Board member participation in meetings via telephone conference call is allowed if the member: Is out of the local

area and is unable to attend the meeting; and prearranges the use of telephone conference equipment and the equipment is capable of allowing each of the members participating to hear each other simultaneously. During the meeting, the chairperson shall recognize the board member(s) participating via telephone conference call by name for each of their interactions including discussions and votes.

SECTION IV

Except as modified herein, prior Ordinance No. 2006-52, codified at Chapter 1.102 of the Wenatchee City Code shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION V

If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance is declared or adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall in no manner affect the remaining portions of this ordinance which shall be in full force and effect as if said section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase, so declared or adjudged invalid or unconstitutional were not originally a part hereof.

SECTION VI

A summary of this ordinance will be published in the official newspaper of the City of Wenatchee and shall be in full force and effect thirty (30) days after passage and publication as provided by law.

PASSED THE CITY COUNCIL OF WENATCHEE at a regular meeting thereof, this day of September, 2008.

> CITY OF WENATCHEE, a municipal Corporation

DENNIS JOHNSON, Mayor

ATTEST:

By:

VICKI REISTER, City Clerk

APPROVED:

By:

STEVE D. SMITH, City Attorney